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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL WHEAT COUNCIL, 73RD AND 74TH
SESSIONS, AND CONFERENCE OF GOVERNMENTS FOR PROTOCOL
EXTENSION OF IWA.

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1. SESSIONS COMPLETED JULY 3RD A.M. MR. A. E. SEWARD
(ARGENTINA) ELECTED IWC CHAIRMAN FOR 1975/76 AND MR. M.
C. BOULAABA (TUNISIA) ELECTED VICE CHAIRMAN. MR. PAROTTE
TO CONTINUE AS CHAIRMAN ASMC AND MEMBERSHIP TO CONTINUE
UNCHANGED WITH EXCEPTION OF SPAIN REPLACING SWEDEN AS
EXPORTER MEMBER. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP ALSO
UNCHANGED FROM 1974/75 EXCEPT TUNISIA TO REPLACE SWITZER-
LAND.

2. MAIN AGENDA ITEM WAS DISCUSSION OF PREPARATORY WORK
FOR A NEW AGREEMENT. (SEE REFTEL). APPROVED TEXT OF
PRESS RELEASE TO BE ISSUED TODAY, CONTAINS FOLLOWING
STATEMENT RE PREPARATORY WORK: QUOTE THE COUNCIL RE-
AFFIRMED ITS INTEREST IN ARRIVING AT A NEW AGREEMENT AS
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SOON AS POSSIBLE AND UNANIMOUSLY AGREED THAT THE PREPARA-

TORY GROUP SHOULD CONTINUE ITS WORK AND SHOULD REPORT AGAIN TO THE COUNCIL AT ITS NEXT SESSION, IN DECEMBER 1975. END QUOTE.

3. FORECAST DOCUMENT FOR 1975/76 WHEAT SITUATION WAS REVIEWED AND APPROVED FOR RELEASE, WHICH WILL BE ON OR ABOUT JULY 7. CONCERNING REQUEST BY IFAP FOR JOINT MEETING WITH COUNCIL, COUNCIL AGREED THAT SUCH CONTACT WOULD BE INAPPROPRIATE, AND THAT VIEWS OF IFAP AND/OR ITS MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS SHOULD BE CONVEYED TO MEMBER GOVERNMENTS AND REFLECTED IN TURN BY THEIR OFFICIAL DELEGATES TO COUNCIL MEETINGS. COUNCIL AGREED, HOWEVER, THAT EXECUTIVE SECRETARY COULD HOLD INFORMAL DISCUSSION MEETING WITH IFAP REPRESENTATIVES.

4. COUNCIL APPROVED 1975/76 BUDGET OF 315,396 POUNDS, AS PROPOSED, AND ASSESSMENTS TOTALING 320,000 POUNDS TO PROVIDE SOME POTENTIAL INCREASE TO RESERVE. PER VOTE ASSESSMENT THUS SET AT 160 POUNDS. BECAUSE OF WITHDRAWAL OF BULGARIA FROM IWC REDISTRIBUTION OF EXPORTER VOTES ADDED ONE EACH TO ARGENTINA, AUSTRALIA, CANADA, EEC, US AND USSR. US NOW HAS 284 VOTES AND 1975/76 ASSESSMENT IS 45,440 POUNDS. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE DISCUSSED POSITION UPGRADING AND SALARY INCREASE FOR EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, BUT FINAL DECISION DEFERRED UNTIL NEXT MEETING IN SEPT-EMBER DUE TO LACK OF INSTRUCTIONS TO SOME MEMBERS. UNANIMOUS FEELING THAT POSITION SHOULD BE UPGRADED FROM PRESENT D-1 ON UN SCALE. CANADIANS, SUPPORTED BY SWISS, PROPOSED LEVEL OF UNDER SECRETARY GENERAL (IN LINE WITH TIN, COFFEE, COCOA ORGANIZATIONS); INDIA ARGUED FOR D-2. US, USSR AND AUSTRALIA FAVOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY GENERAL LEVEL, AND THIS SEEMS LIKELY OUTCOME.

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5. IWC DETERMINED THAT COUNTRIES WHICH HAD NOT YET DEPOSITED EVEN PROVISIONAL APPLICATIONS BUT WHICH HAD INDICATED INTENTION TO CONTINUE AS MEMBERS IWC SHOULD BE ACCORDED RIGHTS AND DUTIES AND BE LIABLE PAYMENT OF ASSESSMENT. EXTENSIONS OF TIME FOR DEPOSIT INSTRUMENTS UNCLASSIFIED

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(B) TO SEPT 30, 1975 -- IRAQ, ISRAEL, PERU, SPAIN, SWITZERLAND, US.
(C) TO OCT 18, 1975 -- ARGENTINA.
(D) TO 31 DEC 1975 -- ALGERIA, BARBADOS, BRAZIL, COSTA RICA, CUBA, EEC AND FOLLOWING OF ITS MEMBER STATES: BELGIUM, FRG, FRANCE, IRELAND, ITALY, NETHERLANDS, LUXEM-

BOURG; EL SALVADOR, FINLAND, GUATEMALA, IRAN, KENYA,
NETHERLANDS (FOR SURINAM), LIBYA, MOROCCO, PORTUGAL,
SYRIA, TUNISIA, VENEZUELA.

(E) TO 30 JUNE 1976 -- AUSTRIA, JAPAN.

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